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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 10 October 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. 3701st meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Morning* 3702nd meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Angola

   Progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III) (S/1996/827)

   Letter dated 7 October 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Zimbabwe to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1996/832)

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* Following the adjournment of the 3701st meeting.

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING
THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.* 144th meeting (closed) Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested delegations of the United Nations in Conference Room 7, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing to the members, the Chairman will then give a briefing to the Press in the Press Room.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 29th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Madagascar

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone.

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Sibusiso Barnabas Dlamini, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Swaziland

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Navinchandra Ramgoolam, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

   Bhutan

   Dominica

3 p.m. 30th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Conclusion of the general debate [9]:

Central African Republic

Vanuatu

Thailand

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 2nd meeting Conference Room 4

1. Election of the Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/C.1/51/1 and A/C.1/51/3)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 4

Agenda items 19, 88, 89, 90 and 12 and 91 (A/51/3 (Chapter V (sect.A)) *, A/51/23 (Parts II to VII); A/51/212; A/51/316 and Add.1; A/51/373; A/AC.109/2041 and Corr.1; 2043; 2044 and Add.1; 2045-2046; 2047 and Add.1; 2049 and Corr.1 and 2; 2050-2053; 2054 and Add.1; 2055-2059; A/AC.109/L.1853 and E/1996/85)

Hearing of petitioners (A/C.4/51/5/Add.4 to 8)

General debate

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 134 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (A/50/363/Add.3 and 4 and A/51/444)) and 157 (Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti (A/51/191/Add.1 and A/51/444))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 2

[Working Group of the Whole on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (7th meeting) and Drafting Committee (1st and 2nd meetings)]

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Board of Auditors

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	53rd meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: human rights questions [5 (d)] (E/1996/101, E/1996/L.53)

2. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102/Add.1 and Corr.1)

Open-ended informal consultations

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and E/1996/CRP.5)

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United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

There will be informal consultations *today*, 10 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, on the draft resolutions relating to agenda item 24 (the Law of the Sea) [The draft resolutions are: (I) The Law of the Sea [agenda item 24 (a)]; (ii) Agreement for the implementation of the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks [agenda item 24 (b)]; and (iii) Large-scale pelagic draft-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards [agenda item 24 (c)]].

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 10 October 1996

EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

11.45 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be an open meeting of co-sponsors and potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "An International Agreement to Ban Anti-Personnel Landmines" *today*, 10 October at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 11 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 31st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Organization of work of the fifty-first regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: second report of the General Committee (A/51/250/Add.1) [8].

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/1) [10].

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 6th meeting Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 20th meeting
3 p.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 2

[Drafting Committee on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (3rd and 4th meetings)]

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 8

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. closed meeting
3 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 10 a.m., are kindly requested to notify the secretariat of the First Committee (room S-3170E, tel.: 963-4272).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m., as well as for the debates on all other items allocated to the Second Committee, beginning on Thursday, 17 October 1996, at 3 p.m., are requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

Informal meeting of the Second Committee

There will be a Panel Discussion entitled "Global Economic Trends: Some Issues" on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

The Panel will be moderated by Mr. Jean-Claude Milleron, Under-Secretary General for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis. Panelists will be Mr. John Williamson, Senior Fellow at the Institute for International Economics in Washington and Currently Chief Economist in the Office of the Vice-President for South Asia region at the World Bank; Mr. Airgun Sengupta, formerly India's Ambassador to the European

Union and Executive Director for Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Sri Lanka of the International Monetary Fund, Washington, currently a Member of the Planning Commission of India; and Mr. Jean Pisani-Ferry, former adviser to the Director-General for Economic and Financial Affairs in the European Commission, currently Director at the Centre d'Études Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII) in Paris.

Introductory remarks by the Panelists will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

The meeting will be open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m. sharp, with agenda item 100 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248, fax: 212-963-5935).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items (see A/C.4/51/L.1) are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-3380, tel.: 963-0388).

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The Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations will meet on Monday, 21 October 1996, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1996/93)

   Selection of themes for the High-level and Coordination segments for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/103)

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and development [6 (l)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)

3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies [9 (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)

4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*

5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))

6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)

7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add. 2)

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* To be issued.

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The Ad Hoc Informal Open-ended Support Group established by the Economic and Social Council to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons in 1999 will convene an organizational meeting on Friday, 11 October 1996, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA

The fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Fund for Population will be held on Friday, 11 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Informal meetings

The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development will conduct an open-ended informal briefing for Member States on the work of the Commission on Wednesday, 16 October 1996, at 2 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be an informal meeting of the Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty on Wednesday, 16 October 1996, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. All States Signatories are requested to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) wishes to inform all permanent missions, observers, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations that all relevant and important documents of the World Food Summit can be found on the FAO Web site at: http://www.fao.org or gopher.fao.org.

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Briefings

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) will hold an informal briefing for interested delegations on Friday, 11 October 1996, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5, to discuss the role of UNEP in the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and the results of the GEF Council Meeting held in Washington D.C. from 7 to 10 October 1996. The Executive Director of UNEP's GEF Unit in Nairobi, Mr. Ahmed Djoghlaf, will be present.

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The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) will hold an informal briefing for delegations on Friday, 11 October 1996, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss the report of the Secretary-General on the progress at mid-decade on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 45/217 on the World Summit for Children (A/51/256), which will be considered by the General Assembly under agenda items 98 (Operational activities for development) and 106 (Promotion and protection of the rights of children).

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.*, on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of October, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 9 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

28th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

His Excellency The Honourable Tofilau Eti Alesana, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Western Samoa, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. The Honourable George Nga Mtafu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malawi.

Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Ruth Perry, Chairman of the Council of the Liberian National Transitional Government

Her Excellency Mrs. Ruth Perry, Chairman of the Council of State of the Liberian National Transitional Government, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by Her Excellency Mrs. Roza I. Otunbayeva, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyzstan, H.E. Don Miguel Oyono Ndong Mifumu, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea, and H.E. The Honourable Prakash Chandra Lohani, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nepal.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 4th meeting

Requests for hearing

The Committee considered six communications containing requests for hearing relating, respectively, to New Caledonia (A/C.4/51/4/Add.6) and Western Sahara (A/C.4/51/5/Add.4 to 8), under agenda item 19, which it decided to grant.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [19]

Question of New Caledonia

Hearing of petitioner

On the basis of a decision taken at the outset of this meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Mr. Rock Wamytan, Front de libération nationale kanak socialiste (A/C.4/51/4/Add.1).

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items), 88, 89, 90 and 12 and 91

The general debate continued with statements by the representatives of Uruguay, Ghana, Algeria, Indonesia, Tunisia, Cuba, the United States, Colombia, Spain, the United Kingdom, Thailand, China, Botswana and South Africa.

The representative of the United Kingdom made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Secretary of the Committee read out a statement in reply to the question posed to him by the representative of Morocco on the report of the Secretary-General on Western Sahara (A/51/428).

The representative of Morocco made a statement.

The Chairman drew members' attention to A/C.4/51/6 relating to the letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), as well as to document A/C.4/51/4/L.2 relating to activities of foreign economic and other interests (agenda item 89).

The Committee decided, on the proposal of the Chairman to set Wednesday, 16 October, at 4 p.m. as the deadline date for the submission of any draft proposals on item 19 and proposals or amendments relating to the recommendations of the Special Committee of 24 on the items on its agenda.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 5th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [119]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Uganda.

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [115]

The Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Administration and Management made a statement on the current financial situation of the United Nations.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Canada, Cuba, India, Uganda, the United Kingdom, Bangladesh, Colombia, China, Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Trinidad and Tobago, Malaysia, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Portugal, Indonesia, the United States and Uruguay.

The Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Administration and Management responded to questions posed.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 16th and 17th meetings

Working Group of the Whole on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (5th and 6th meetings)

The Working Group considered draft articles 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Guatemala, the Czech Republic, Turkey, Italy, Finland, Iraq, Greece, Spain, South Africa, Portugal, Hungary, Viet Nam, Ethiopia, Ireland, Romania, Cameroon, Brazil, Slovakia, Egypt, Tunisia, Argentina, Germany, India, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mexico, the United States, Norway, Austria, Kuwait, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, the Netherlands, Canada, Venezuela, Israel, the United Kingdom, Bangladesh, Colombia, Kenya, Lebanon, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Sudan, Switzerland, New Zealand and France.

The Expert Consultant spoke.

The Chairman made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Thirteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

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339th and 340th (closed) meetings

Methods of work of the Committee, including guidelines for periodic reports [8]

The Committee considered the item.

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee considered the item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, signed at Geneva on 28 July 1951

Accession: Kyrgyzstan (8 October 1996)*

Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, done at New York on 31 January 1967

Accession: Kyrgyzstan (8 October 1996)*

International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994, concluded at Geneva on 26 January 1994

Provisional application: Colombia (9 October 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Signature: Sri Lanka (9 October 1996)

Vienna Convention on Succession of States in respect of Treaties, concluded at Vienna on 23 August 1978

Succession: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (7 October 1996)*

Entry into force of the Convention: 6 November 1996, in accordance with article 49 (1) of the Convention

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Equatorial Guinea, Madagascar, Malawi and Samoa (9 October 1996)

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 10 October 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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